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PATENT APPLICATION

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Hiroto HORIKAWA

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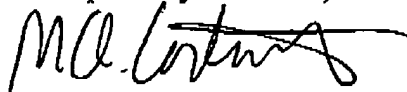
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The appropriate Patent Office official is requested to contact Applicant's undersigned
attorney at the telephone number listed below if there are any questions, or if anything further
is required in order to expressly abandon this application.

Respectfully submitted,



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